

IN THE MATTER OF the *Emergency Measures Act*, RSPEI 1988, c E-6.1, (herein referred to as the “*Emergency Measures Act*”).

**MINISTERIAL ORDER
PROVINCIAL STATE OF EMERGENCY**

WHEREAS COVID-19 (coronavirus) poses a significant threat to the health, safety and welfare of the population of Prince Edward Island;

AND WHEREAS a state of public health emergency was declared in the province on March 16th, 2020 pursuant to Order in Council EC2020-174 which was continued on April 15th, 2020;

AND WHEREAS on the advice of the Chief Public Health Officer, I am satisfied that an emergency exists, as defined in subsection 1(c) of the *Emergency Measures Act*, which requires prompt co-ordination of action or special regulation of persons or property to protect the health, safety or welfare of people against the impacts of the COVID-19 (coronavirus) pandemic;

AND WHEREAS under a state of emergency, I may require any or all of the actions specifically listed under subsections 11(a) to (k) of the *Emergency Measures Act*, or anything else I determine is necessary for the protection of property, the environment and the health or safety of persons in the Province;

NOW THEREFORE, pursuant to my authority under subsection 9(1) of the *Emergency Measures Act*, I declare that a state of emergency exists throughout the whole of the Province of Prince Edward Island.

THIS ORDER is effective as of **8:00 am on April 17, 2020**.

If this declaration is not renewed or terminated earlier, the state of emergency remains in effect until **11:59 pm on April 30, 2020**.

TAKE NOTICE THAT this declaration is in addition to and does not replace any Order issued by the Chief Public Health Officer under the *Public Health Act*, RSPEI 1988, c P-30.1.

DATED at Charlottetown in Queens County, Province of Prince Edward Island this 16th day of April, 2020.

Bloyce Thompson
Minister of Justice and Public Safety